

MEXICAN SHOT AND FIRST ARIZONA IS KILLED IN FIGHT

Following a Mixup of Americans and Mexicans on Tuesday Night W. H. Lantz, a Local Barber, Shoots and Kills Mexican. Fires Four Shots into Body. Is Later Released on His Own Recognizance.

A near riot on Chase Creek Tuesday evening about six o'clock between Americans and Mexicans resulted in the death of Amiceto Martinez, one of the participants, and the slight injuring of others engaged in the melee.

As reported by eye witnesses the trouble started when a well known Mexican entered into a conversation with one or two Americans concerning politics in general, and while the Mexican was speaking in a loud voice a good sized crowd gathered. An American in the crowd becoming tired of the harangue approached the speaker and told him that it was about time he desisted, when the Mexican gave him a curt answer. The American, Austin Morris, taking offense at the answer knocked the Mexican down three times, and the latter after the last fall arose and attempted to fight back. This started the riot and it is reported that all hands joined in the protection of their countrymen.

Lantz in front of whose place of business the trouble started, was a spectator and during the disturbance was grabbed from behind by Martinez, who held him plied with the arms. Lantz, fearing for his life as well as that others might be seriously injured, pulled a .32 calibre automatic and attempted to shoot his assailant. He was apparently unable to use the gun freely as the Mexican was shot four times, the first shot hitting him in the right ankle and breaking it. One of the shots went through the left side and one through the left leg. By this time the man released his grip on Lantz and the fourth shot went through his neck, causing instant death.

Lantz was slightly hurt in the right hand during the engagement but was otherwise unharmed. He was placed under arrest and the coroner's inquest was held in the office of Justice McWilliams yesterday morning, at which time the jury brought in a verdict to the effect that Martinez had met his death at the hands of one W. H. Lantz. After the jury was dismissed Lantz was ordered into court and upon the recommendation of County Attorney Wall was released on his own recognizance to appear in court when notified by the Sheriff.

Friday morning at eleven o'clock a warrant was sworn out in Judge McWilliams' court for Jack Lantz, by a stepson of the dead man. His bonds were placed at \$5,000, which he had failed to raise up to the time of going to press.

The testimony at the coroner's inquest was exhaustive and several witnesses were examined, among whom were Ed Morris, A. H. Morris, W. G. Lantz, S. L. Gilliland, W. T. Lovett, Jose Padilla, Julio Miranda, Charles A. E. R. Apone, R. J. Dunagan, John Bradberry, T. H. McCulloch, Thomas Farrell, et al.

The testimony of most of the witnesses included in nearly every particular the facts are substantiated. Owing to the length of the testimony and lack of space the testimony of only one or two witnesses is given, these being in detail the substance of all.

W. T. Lovett, being called as a witness, and having first been duly sworn according to law, testified as follows:

Q. Now, Mr. Lovett, did you see this shooting? A. I saw part of it, yes, sir.

Mr. Wall: State to the jury what you did see and hear and all you heard and saw. A. Well, I saw Mr. Lantz tangled up in the affair. I saw across the street. I saw a man strike at him, or strike him, and pretty soon he grabbed Mr. Lantz around the neck and I started across the street. I got about half way, I guess, and I heard the first shot. There was 3 or 4 shots fired. I went on up and the man fell on the sidewalk.

The Coroner: Q. You seen him while he was doing the shooting? A. Well, I was looking at Mr. Lantz.

Q. Could you state what position he was in? A. Well, he was in a tangled up position with this man. It seemed like the man had him so he didn't have free access when he was trying to break his hold—when the shot was fired—and the man held on to him until the last shot was fired and he turned loose and fell and Mr. Lantz walked in the house.

Q. Do you know which one, Mr. Lantz—whether the deceased—did he jump on Mr. Lantz, or did Mr. Lantz jump on him—do you know which it was? A. I could not say.

Q. You say he was tangled up with him? A. I couldn't say which made the first move, but I saw this man make a lick and Mr. Lantz made a lick also and then they clinched.

A member of the jury: Q. Did you see any trouble there before this man and Mr. Lantz had trouble? A. Yes, sir; I saw the trouble.

Q. Who was that between? A. It was between Mr. Morris and—

Mr. Wall: Q. Mr. Austin Morris?

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LABOR DAY CELEBRATION WITNESSED BY THOUSANDS

Third Battalion Passes Through Tucson Enroute to Border—Plans for Entertainment Spoiled by Rush Orders.

The third battalion of the First Arizona regiment comprising Companies L and K from Ajo, Company I from Casa Grande and Company M from Roosevelt, passed through Tucson on the way to Naco at 4:45 yesterday afternoon. They expected to remain in the city for a short time and were to have been entertained at the Y. M. C. A., but received orders late in the afternoon which caused a cancellation of the plans.

Major Haedicke is in command and under him are Captains Sidney Mashbir and Hall, and Robinson of Company I. Captain Hayes is in command of Company M. Captain Ira E. Huffman is with the troops. The battalion headquarters were at Ajo.

The troop train stopped at the El Paso and Southwestern depot for fifteen minutes during which time the local Red Cross society co-operating with the chamber of commerce loaded fruits, tobacco and magazines on the train for the use of the troopers. Mrs. Nathan Kendall had charge of the work.

Company K has been at Ajo since the Fourth of July. They broke camp at 7 o'clock yesterday morning in response to orders which they had been expecting for two weeks, from General Funston. There are 240 men en route and the Hospital corps accompanying them is composed of 10 men. Several of the troopers stated that they have no idea how long they will remain at Naco. The first battalion is at that point now, and the entire regiment will mobilize there shortly.

The Hospital corps, stationed at Ajo has been making an interesting collection of various insects and reptiles infesting the locality. They are said to have collected some enormous specimens of tarantulas, scorpions and centipedes. The men avow that the country around Ajo is most fertile for research work of that character.

The companies carried all their paraphernalia with them, including baggage, canteens, felines and other domesticated quadrupeds.

COSPER ENTERTAIN WITH BIG DANCE

On September 1st, 1916, Mr. J. H. T. Cosper, one of the largest cattlemen of Greenlee county, gave one of his time honored dances, and all round good times at his ranch home on the Blue river about 50 miles above Clifton, to which the entire community was not only invited but was given a warm welcome by the host and hostesses, and some 20 to 25 Clifton people, responded to his kind invitation and each and all report that they had the best time for three days that they ever had in their lives before, or ever expect to have.

Several candidates for county offices were present and they were extended the generous hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Cosper, and were given the privilege of interrupting the good time for about an hour to extol their good qualities for the office which they were seeking.

The ranch and all the good things around it were turned over to the guests, and everybody had one glorious time, and left with kindly feelings that words cannot express towards the host and hostess for the many and innumerable good things to eat that pleased the inner man, and for the excellent music provided and for the hospitable, friendly spirit in which they were received and treated during the entire visit.

Everyone who partook of the festivities has a warm spot in their heart for Mr. and Mrs. Cosper, and hope that they may live for many years and that they may prosper and be enabled to give to their friends and neighbors many more times just as good and enjoyable as this last one.

Among those present from Clifton were the following: Misses Bradberry, Davis, Stockton, Steubing, and Johnson, Mrs. Jessie Billingsley, John Bradberry, W. H. Moon, J. H. Kerby, Jim Cosper, E. V. Horton, J. C. Campbell, J. W. Aker, Benj. Phillips, Ed. Elrage, Reece Webster, Jr.

Body of Mexican Recovered

The body of the Mexican miner who was buried under hundreds of tons of earth and rock in the Clay mine at Morenci last week was recovered yesterday after hard work on the part of several rescuers. The man was working at the top of a stop when the earth began to move and his companions escaped at the first intimation of danger. The dead Mexican was too late to escape and was sucked down with the falling earth and buried under hundreds of tons. Owing to the nature of the ground several different methods for the rescue were tried and after five days of unceasing toil the body was exposed. It was a badly decomposed state and immediate burial was necessary. Outside of the head being crushed to a pulp the remains were not so badly mutilated.

Powell Succeeds Leechen

George Powell, of Miami arrived in Clifton Thursday night to take the place of B. Leechen, organizer for the State Federation of Labor.

LARGEST CROWD IN THE HISTORY OF DISTRICT GATHERS IN CLIFTON IN HONOR OF WORKINGMEN. PARADE DELIGHTS THOUSANDS. GOVERNOR HUNT SPEAKS

Without doubt the largest crowd ever assembled in the Clifton-Morenci district was present in Clifton on Labor Day to do honor to the workingman and enjoy the sports of the day which had been arranged for their pleasure. A conservative estimate has placed the number of people present at 8,000 during the day. Early in the morning two special trains brought hundreds of celebrants from Morenci and one from Metcalf swelled the total by several hundred more, until by noon the streets were thronged with thousands of merry makers.

The day passed off without incident of a disturbing nature, there being no disorders, fights or brawls, which generally characterize a large gathering. Several thefts or loss of watches have been reported but otherwise the day was perfect in every respect. There was no hitch in the arrangements of the committee in charge and to them is due the credit for the success of the big undertaking.

In honor of the occasion the majority of the business houses along the line of march had been profusely decorated with flags and bunting, and the bridge across the Frisco river was also bedecked with streamers and flags of the national colors.

To many the parade was the big feature of the day and long before the time for formation Chase Creek was congested by the thousands of workmen of the different crafts who were waiting to be assigned to their sections in the line of march. Nearly every craft in the district was represented and they made a fine appearance in their various distinctive uniforms, between 4,000 and 5,000 men being in line. The parade started on Chase Creek and was preceded by the Clifton brass band. The several handsomely decorated autos and floats received a continued ovation along the line of march, while the different sections on foot came in for a good share of flattering comment.

The automobile of Mrs. Frank Davis, completely covered with red and white decorations and representing the Clifton Woman's Club, led the parade of cars and was received with generous applause and being awarded the first prize for the most beautifully decorated car. Among some of the other autos and floats was the Abraham car, driven by Mrs. Abraham and occupied by the lady members of the Retail Clerks Union. This car made a fine appearance being decorated in lavender and yellow and receiving much favorable comment.

The teamsters union was represented by a beautiful float drawn by four large gray horses which were gallily caparisoned, the float being occupied by the members of the union. The float of the Carpenter's Union contained a miniature house built by the carpenters and a complete reproduction. The house was occupied by a bevy of little boys and girls who made themselves at home.

The Boilermakers were represented by a float which contained a large engine boiler and a forge fired up for business. Four boilermakers were industriously driving rivets and playing their trade along the line and made a decided hit. The saw mill department was represented by a float on which a circular saw was at work, the motive power being furnished by direct drive from the hub of the wagon.

The railroad department float was occupied by a miniature of a box car which was perfect in every respect, no detail being left out. The Vienna Bakery was represented by a beautifully decorated wagon which contained several little children seated at a table and enjoying an imaginary feast of the good things which are turned out by the bakery. A large and handsomely decorated float loaded with Mexican girls represented the Mexican ladies' auxiliary of the Federation.

The various crafts on foot made an excellent showing and it would be a hard matter to justly draw a comparison for they all made an excellent appearance and were greeted with continual cheers. The Morenci brass band was also in line and furnished excellent music for the occasion.

The parade proceeded to South Clifton passing the reviewing stand at the Reardon Hotel and disbanded at the ball park where the events of the day took place. On the reviewing stand were Governor Hunt and the Judges of the parade, Reece Webster, F. H. Springer, W. J. Riley, George Reitzer and P. Riley.

Immediately after the parade had disbanded the speaking took place at the ball park, the principal address of the day being delivered by Gov. Hunt, and which is herewith reproduced.

The ball park was packed with humanity during the afternoon and the sports were pulled off on schedule time and created a great deal of interest to old and young. Perhaps the contests which were mostly enjoyed by the grown ups were the horse races and drilling contests, both of which drew big crowds.

The wrestling match at the Princess in the evening was attended by a large crowd and was most interesting. The match, which was between Al Wasen, the world's lightweight champion wrestler, and Gus Eisel, the undefeated champion from Chicago, resulted in a victory for Wasen.

The four big dances in the evening were well patronized and were a fitting end to a most successful celebration and one of which the committee in charge should feel more than proud. The big event has passed into history and will long live in the memory of all as one of the biggest and best celebrations ever staged in any section of Arizona.

Speech of G. W. P. Hunt.

Fellow Citizens— In being honored with an invitation to address the workers of the Clifton-Morenci-Metcalf district on that day of the year which is dedicated solely to labor, I cannot feel otherwise than deeply conscious of the priceless tribute paid me as Governor of Arizona. These familiar surroundings and the presence in this audience before me of hundreds of well-known faces, bring distinctly to memory the incidents of my last visit in this district, when the wheels of industry were still and five thousand workmen were marking a valiant fight for those inalienable rights which are guaranteed by their Nation's Constitution. It is so unusual for the Governor of a State in which a serious strike has recently been concluded, to be on speaking terms with the workers whose rights were at issue, that I might, perhaps, be justified today in taking a certain pride in this manifest achievement. Such, however, as I can earnestly assure you, is not my mental attitude, notwithstanding my opportunity, officially and personally, to be just to the workers of the Clifton-Morenci-Metcalf district in their courageous struggle for the future of Arizona wage-earners and for the security of posterity. That five months' conflict between employer and employee did not, fortunately, unduly embitter either one faction or the other, but paved the way, as I believe, for an era of better understanding between capital and labor. You men who underwent the serious hardships of that contest, staking your all upon the integrity and endurance of your fellows, did not, perhaps, fully realize at the time that the eyes of a whole nation were witnessing your championship of human rights. Even at this day, when the Clifton-Morenci-Metcalf strike is rapidly becoming a memory of the past, it is doubtful whether you fully realize the magnitude and far-reaching importance of the precedent which you have set for the workers of the world's great east country to follow hereafter in such industrial disputes as may develop.

While the successful outcome of your struggle was the result of any individual's effort, but was, rather, a natural consequence of unprecedented co-operation between the workers, employers, State officials and Federal mediators, the originality of the methods pursued was due, after all, to the workmen who contended for their rights amid these scenes which environ us today. Whereas, a strike, in the usual accepted sense of the term, connotes violence on the part of the workers, bitter reprisals on the part of the employer and disastrous intervention by public officials and hired soldiers, the Clifton-Morenci-Metcalf strike was characterized at all by any of these menacing conditions. In the first place, it was the workers themselves who surprised the nation by conducting their protest against wrongful, industrial conditions by keeping the peace, protecting property and safeguarding the lives of non-offending residents. The victory, therefore, and it was a victory, was yours, and yours only. The rest of us who were concerned in the struggle by virtue of the official duties placed upon us, deserve credit merely for following the dictates of conscience and humanity by refusing to place dollars above the dignity of honest toil, and property rights above those priceless human rights which must always have precedence in the social equation.

As governor of Arizona, I shall

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TAX ON COPPER IS STRICKEN FROM REVENUE BILL

Washington, D. C., Sep. 7. Copper Era, Clifton, Arizona. The House tonight adopted conference report which strikes copper tax from revenue bill according to amendment which Congressman Hayden of Arizona originally offered when bill was under consideration in house.

Signed, CARL HAYDEN.

The above telegram was received this morning from Congressman Hayden and is an evidence of the good work of the Arizona representatives in Washington to defeat the unjust tax on copper which it was claimed constituted war munitions. When the revenue bill was before the house on July 10th Congressman Hayden offered the amendment which has been adopted and eliminates the unjust tax.

The efforts of Congressman Hayden and Senators Ashurst and Smith against this discriminatory measure are commendable and the success of their efforts in protecting Arizona's chief industry is cause for congratulation.



CARL HAYDEN
Your Representative in Congress

PUBLIC SCHOOL PUPILS WIN HONORS

The following pupils under the direction of P. M. George, supervisor of Penmanship in the Clifton Public Schools the past year, have won the Palmer Method Button, which are now in the superintendent's office waiting for the opening of school when they will be awarded the pupils:

Amelia Gutierrez, Anna L. Medina, Amy Rhea, Ruby Billingsley, Frabelle Hill, Richard Stephens, Domingo A. Norte, Mason Fraps, Esperanza Alvarez, Cliff, Dionisia Estevez, Jose Medina, Consuelo Alvarez, Helen Harris, Hattie Medina, Louis Ochoa, Nicholas Lara, Jesusita Mara, Ramon Ochoa, Luz Maese, Joe Billingsley, Ysidro Villarreal, Ruth Smith, Maud Miller, Louisa, Cannel Telles, Florentino Labrada, Abram Ariza, Demetrio G. Martinez, Isabel Fraide, Concepcion Lucero, Josefina Alvirez, Jeanette Willis, Manuela Ochoa, Henry Burgess, Neil Clark, Esther Ramirez, Dalia Cisneros, Zelma Goolsby, Vicentia Salerni, Randolph Brooks, Reina Maese, Petra R. Sanchez, Manuel Merino, Gerald Smith, Maria Estevez, Victoriano Rano, Norene Bloomfield, Nina Prekarts, Frank Ramirez, Arthur O'Leary, Roxa Risdon, Janet Pollock, Douglas Pascoe, George Wright, Marion Weiss, Ernestine Ward, Manuel Vellescas, Nicolas, Wilma Stephens, Pedro Trunillo, Manuel Baron, Glenn Thomas, Salvador L. Valdez, Manuel Saenz, Margaret Olson, Josefina Rodriguez, Antonia Martinez, Leo Brock, Alberto Gallego, Hester Conzeld, Rosie Binham, Leah Abraham, Oliver Cotey, Gertrude Davidson, Linnie Davis, Joseph Fraps, Lola C. Gonzalez, Bessie Hayes, Jose R. Padilla, Emilia Moreno, Harry Miller, John McDonald, John Sirianni, Florida Sirianni, Beatrice Sellers, Ricardo G. Rodriguez, Kent O'Leary, Catherine Coleman, Bradford Cotey, Alice Jane Kelly, Clara Lee, Aurora Ramos, Magdalena VanOrder, Lamar Dunagan, May Bloomfield, Willard, Harry Rabenowitz, Johnnie Martin, Albino H., Billie A. Wallace, Florence Nicks, Francisco Martinez, Ellen Martin, Grover Hughes, Alice Bustamante, Maurice Morgan, Maria Ballon, Lucia Billar, Thelma Collins, Mildred Stephens, Zelma E. Merrill, R. Gutierrez, Anna Marie Sellers, Ygnacio M., Effie Spaw, Del Mitchell, Virginia Minson, William S., Juan T. Rodriguez, Viola Spaw, Lora VanOrder, Alma Laveda, Cecilia Delfin, Julia Arzarte, Alberta, Lora Awalt, Walter Carr, Mary Minson, Cruz Merino.

Back from Long Trip

Emil Brutinel returned from a seven weeks' trip this week which he took in his auto. During his absence he toured the greater part of Arizona and California and reports that he had a most enjoyable time. Motor troubles at Springerville delayed him in reaching home for several days but aside from this slight inconvenience he encountered no difficulties on the long trip.

DONNELLY PLACED UNDER PEACE BOND

John L. Donnelly, First Vice-President of the Arizona State Federation of Labor Causes Disturbance and is Placed Under Peace Bond of \$3,000. Waives Hearing.

About 3 o'clock Friday morning of last week at his home in North Clifton John L. Donnelly, vice president of the Arizona State Federation of Labor who has been stationed in this district for some time, ran amuck and created a disturbance which resulted in his being this week placed under a \$3,000 peace bond by Justice J. A. McWilliams. E. A. Wood, against whom the threats are alleged to have been made was the complaining witness.

It seems that for some time there had been bad blood between Donnelly and Wood and the climax of their troubles was reached on Friday morning when Donnelly took the matter up with apparently nearly serious consequences.

The case was brought for hearing before Justice McWilliams on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, when Mr. Donnelly accompanied by his wife, were present and heard the charges read. Mr. Wood, who swore out the complaint, failed to appear. On reading the complaint Justice McWilliams informed Mr. Donnelly that he had the right for counsel if he so desired. Donnelly waived hearing and was placed under a \$3,000 peace bond, G. A. Franz and C. W. Young being accepted as bondsmen.

The complaint in full follows and tells the story of the alleged threats made by Donnelly upon the person of Wood and his family:

Before me, J. A. McWilliams, Justice of the Peace, this 2nd day of September, 1916, personally appeared E. A. Wood, who first being duly sworn, on oath complains and accuses John L. Donnelly, of threatening to murder complainant and threatening to blow up the dwelling house of complainant with dynamite, as follows, to-wit: The said J. L. Donnelly on or about the 1st day of September, 1916, in Greenlee County, State of Arizona, did awaken complainant and his wife about 3 o'clock A. M. and then and there said J. L. Donnelly while armed with a Winchester rifle, stood in the public street of Clifton, in said County and State, immediately in front of affiant's front door and profanely and abusively threatened to wilfully, knowingly, maliciously, forcibly, feloniously and with malice aforethought and premeditatedly shoot, kill, slay and murder complainant and did then and there threaten to blow up complainant's said dwelling with dynamite; that said J. L. Donnelly presented himself in said street as aforesaid while clad in his underwear alone again about the same hour on said date and as aforesaid and repeated said threats in the presence and hearing of women and children in said neighborhood of North Clifton; that for said offense said J. L. Donnelly has not been placed under arrest nor in any manner restrained by the officers of the law, though they have been fully advised of said conduct on the part of said J. L. Donnelly.

That by reason of said threats, as aforesaid, and said demonstrations as aforesaid, complainant fears and has reason to fear that said J. L. Donnelly will in execution of said threats, take complainant's life and that of his wife with dynamite and complainant has reason to believe and does believe that said J. L. Donnelly will murder complainant and his wife and destroy his said dwelling and all of his property therein as threatened aforesaid and that said J. L. Donnelly will execute said threats unless he is restrained from so doing, by this court. That to prevent said J. L. Donnelly from putting said threats into execution it is necessary that said J. L. Donnelly be placed under bond, by this Court, as the law provides, requiring him, as provided by law in such cases, to keep the peace toward the State of Arizona and toward this complainant in particular.

Complainant therefore prays that a warrant may be issued for the arrest of said J. L. Donnelly and that he may be dealt with according to law.

Cowboy Dance

Quite a number of ranchmen and cowboys were in town the first of the week, their visit being primarily to take in the Labor Day celebration, but not being satisfied with a day and night's gaiety they decided to wind the celebration up with a good old fashioned dance. On Tuesday a few of the older heads among the cowmen got busy, secured the Princess theatre for the occasion and that evening to the accompaniment of clanking spurs and rustling chaps they enjoyed the merry whirl until a late hour Wednesday morning. Music was furnished by one of their number on the violin while W. H. Moon, whose versatility is unlimited, accompanied him on the piano. Everyone enjoyed themselves immensely and the lone people were looked after in a royal manner by their hosts. May the cowboys' hospitality never wane and their step never grow heavy.